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Abbreviations. Elect. of Aldermen

a. Get up. B Breakfast. C So to business
 y Leave for Dinner. D Dinner
 E Return to Office after Dinner
 F Leave Office. G Tea. H Bed.
 I Meeting. Chapel &c

Poll 1st Municipal Election
 under H.C. Corporation Act passed
 Dec: 1857. Poll 31st. Poll declared
 on New Years day, at 8 P.M.

Aldermen

1. Cheyne 892	14. Lees 399
2. Stewart 836	15. Mickle 392
3. Rhenben 833	16. Worley. 356
4. Lewis 804	17. Pinks. 328
5. Barrett 772	18. Morgan. 282
6. Propsting 732	19. Whitecomb 275
7. Murdoch 687	20. Baynton 180
8. Lippcombe 671	*21. Wright 119
9. Gilles. 609	22. Dickenson 116
10. Cook 607	23. Smith 100. 90
11. Moir 599	*24. Kilburn 68
12. Seabrook 483	*25. Bush 50
13. Edgar 432	*26. D. Taylor. 49
	*27. Thomson 48.

The aldermen as soon as elected (1st 9)
 elected O. H. Gilles as Mayor.
 * Those marked * had retired but their
 names were on the ballot paper & some
 voted for them.

The Old Year 1857.

Self

During the first 2 months I lived at home doing nothing. We went up to the springs one day with R. Dean & father & had a very nice trip. On the 23rd of 2nd month I went as Junior Clerk to J. B. Chapman's office & have been there since & like it very well. There is not much variety to tell of as far as myself goes. On Christmas day & the day after having holidays we went up to Fern tree valley & got 6 Big trees for J. B. Chapman's office.

Family

In first month I kept myself in clothes & in pocket money. I continued with a still born baby & she was so very ill after that her life was despaired of but she got over it & is now as well as ever. Poor little Cousin Louisa Uncle Joseph's little girl died of croup in the beginning of the year & Uncle Joseph took ill soon after of colic or something like it & has been ill ever since he is up now but by no means in good health. Robert got so wild & disobedient that he had to be sent to Horton college Ross where he went in 1st month. I think he is a good deal improved by his residence there. Joey goes to school at the Central school (government) in Bathurst St, the rest go to F. Mackies. The Baby has grown very healthy & interesting.

The Old Year 1857

Family

Mother has become very deaf. Grandmother has been once or twice up into the country.

Politics

As was likely during the first part of the year, under responsible government, there has been a good deal of unsettlement.

Age Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. &
16.22 11 January FRIDAY [1-364] 1st Month 1858

Circumcision

At 12 o'clock at night we were awakened by a crowd of boys &c. going past, shouting, yelling, hurrahing, beating tin pots &c. The bells also of Trinity Church struck up to ring the New Year in. The Band belonging to the Circus at present in town struck up & the Temp. Alliance band perambulated the town; all the bells on board the vessels were rung as if the people had all gone crazy. Capt. Storie of the "Harrowby" set off some beautiful rockets &c. Altogether there was a most tremendous noise not at all decreased by our door bell being rung furiously & continually.

In the morning I went down to Uncle Roberts & had breakfast there. At the office there was little doing. W. Pethman up the mountain & J. Black went away at 3 o'clock.

In the evening we had Annie & Sarah & Anna & Esther Mather to celebrate my sister Lizzie's Birthday, after tea we played "Hunt the Ring" & some other games for the young children. I gave Lizzie a book.
α 7:10: B (Uncle R. A. Mather) 8:30: β 9:5:
γ 2:50: δ 2:55: ε 3:30: ζ 6:5: η 7:15
ω 11:0 Wind E. N. E. light gentle breeze.
Warm & cloudy weather

J. D. Chapman's Office Hobart Town
1858 1st Month 2 SATURDAY [2-363] January [2]

Election
of
Aldermen

At 8 o'clock yesterday evening the poll was declared (see page 1 of this book) but it was not declared officially till noon to day; when O. H. Ellis was also elected Mayor; there has been a good deal of excitement for the last week, about the election, as the new aldermen will have enlarged powers, the control of the police &c. Those elected are about the best of the candidates, perhaps Cook would have been better than Ellis; but still we have no reason to complain. The Weather has been very dry & hot here so that the crops are very much burnt up, & the fruit trees & plants also, rain just now is anxiously looked for. In Melbourne Victoria the heat has been very great & they have had very extensive bush fires in consequence, the heat is said to have been equal to that of the famous "Black Thursday" which I can well remember; rain is anxiously looked for there. The mail is anxiously looked for from England & India especially but we shall most likely have the two months mails over together, about the 7th or 8th. It has been a very dusty & disagreeable day blowing very hard, dust ^{flying} in clouds.
α 6:50: β 8:50: γ 9:5: δ 1:50: ε 2:50: ζ 7:10: ω 11:20
Wind very hard NW. Weather Warm & Cloudy at times.

The
Weather

The
English
Mail

Savings Bank, 79 Macquarie St &
 Age 13 & 41 January 3 Sunday - 2 aft Christm [3-302] 1st Month 1858
 16.22

Impv^s
 in
 Murray
 St.

Bird
 in
 Fets

Pigs
 Backen
 Boys
 Lost
 on the
 Mount

Arr^d
 Aurora
 Australis

In going to meeting saw the improvements
 they are making in Murray St. Cutting
 down the hill where W. Hutton used to
 live, they will lower the top about 6
 feet, they have to do this to be able
 to drain the part between Bathurst
 Melville Streets which is very flat &
 where the fith often stands to a very
 disgusting extent. About dinner time
 the little bird (nearly fledged) which John H. Roberts
 gave me, had two convulsive fits, most
 likely caused by indigestion through
 not having sand, but he soon came round.

α 8°0: β 8°50: γ 10°40-12°30: δ 2°15: ε 4°15-5°35.

ι 6°25: ω 10°5. Warm With heavy thunder clouds.
 Wind pretty strong N.W. but nearly calm at night.
 MONDAY [4-301]

Went to bath in the morning: in returning was
 amused & rather surprised to see 3 pigs enjoying
 a bath, to the great annoyance of their diggers who
 could not get them to come ashore. ~~One of the~~
 By the last of ~~the year~~ ^{the year} ~~one of the~~ ^{one of the} ~~Roberts~~ & Willie Garrard went
 up the mountain they got over to the New Norfolk side
 & there lost themselves (a most frightful country)
 but having caught sight of the Promised Land they
 made straight for it & over everything & arrived in
 New Norfolk about 7 in the evening of the next
 day. To day has been extremely hot sun shi-
 brightly, the wind was N.W. in the morning light air, about
 1 the sea breeze (S.E.) came up, but after dark a warm
 wind from the N.W. began & blew pretty hard. The
 Aurora Australis arrived parallel 98 days out.
 α 6°35: β 8°55: γ 9°10: δ 2°25: ε 5°40.
 ι 7°25: ω 10°45.

J. P. Chapman's Office, Hobart Town.
 1858 1st Month 5 TUESDAY [5-360] January [5 & 6]

Select
 of
 Wardens
 for
 Marine
 Board

Heat
 Wind
 Dust
 Bush
 Fires

Heat
 Dust
 Bush
 Fires

Dividends due at the Bank & India House

The appointment of three wardens by the
 Chamber of Commerce, to form in conjunction
 with the Mayor & collector of Customs, the
 Marine Board in which the control of the
 port is vested according to the new Act, took
 place to day. Crosby 33 votes Braswell 22
 Tonkin 20 (elected) & Downing 17 & Haig 11
 (unsuccessful) My bird had more fits both
 yesterday & to day. It has been very hot
 to day, with a gale from the N.W. which
 raised the dust in clouds & rendered
 it very unpleasant to be out. There have
 been a good many bush fires lately, a very
 large piece of the mountain is now on fire.
 We had a fine sunset. α 7°40: β 8°50: γ 9°10: δ 2°25: ε 5°40.
 ι 7°25: ω 10°45.

6 WEDNESDAY [6-361] Epiphany

Yesterday I bought my school & schoolmaster
 by Hugh Miller 9/6; it a very interesting
 book. For the last few days it has
 been oppressively hot & we have been
 nearly suffocated with a warmish wind
 which raises immense clouds of dust.
 The continued dry weather has made
 a great many bush fires, down at the
 River. They have been very extensive, of
 Mt Wellington the back & lower part are
 nearly all one sheet of flame & there
 is a great glare this evening from Mt.
 Nelson to Mt. Wellington. Strong N.W. wind.
 α 8°15: β 8°55: γ 9°10: δ 2°30: ε 5°30.
 ι 6°50: ω 10°45.

16.12 Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St
[T&S] January 7 THURSDAY [7-358] 1st Month 1858

Today has not been so warm as the last few days, heavy clouds occasionally passing over & giving great promise of rain, but after all we had only two small showers. The Wind is still very strong from NW. There have been extensive bush fires down at the River doing a good deal of damage (see p. 2) but Mt Wellington the fire is now subdued a little, as there has been a pretty good deal of rain here today, but there is still a good deal of alight there. Another busy making
Jan. α 8.0: β 8.50: γ 9.5: δ 1.50:
D 2.15: S 3.0: E 5.15 I 7.0: W 10.25

17.12 8-FRIDAY [8-357] ...
New, came this morning that the Sarah Sanderson was nearly burnt altogether & if it had not been for the bravery of the crew who cleared the magazine of all the powder but one barrel & that she was now, she must have been totally destroyed; she was taking troops to India. The Gazette & W. Billenave Smith have had a fracas at Richmond, the former having spread some false Reports about the latter & today W.D. Smith has placarded the town proclaiming I.B. & a Lie & Corward. There are still two or three large fires on the mountain. It has been pleasantly warm to day, with heavy down like thunder clouds. Wind brisk NW
α 8.0: β 8.50: γ 9.4: δ 2.3: D 2.25: S 3.5:
E 5.15: I 7.25: W 10.35.

T.D. Chapman's Office Hobart Town.
1858 1st Month 9 SATURDAY [9-356] January [9]

Fire Insurance ceases

Walk to Sandy Bay
Having a half holiday as usual, went on walk with Joseph to Sandy Bay, I met R. Coolan & as it was near high tide & there were not many shells to be got, we had a bath. I was bathing. I saw how easily wrecks &c get buried in the sand, for if I stood a few minutes, every wave that washed some sand from the side of my foot & let me sink in. We then went onto the Rocks & got some Limpets & Chitons, which I put in. A hot day with clouds passing over now & then. Wind brisk from NW decreasing towards evening. α 7.45: β 8.35: γ 9.0: δ 1.30 D 2.0
I 7.15 W 12.0.

Review &c
This season has been about the driest for a long time, what with the drought & the blight (a small aphid fly) vegetables are very dear & turnips, parsnips, & cabbages & cauliflowers are hardly to be had for money. We have had no rain now for nearly 2 months. Bush fires also are common from the dryness of everything. A large part of Mt Wellington is on fire & full round (across the water too) you see the smoke of fires. We have had a NW wind, very strong at times for the last week, & it has made it very unpleasant to be out in consequence of the clouds of dust it has raised.

Francis Heywood came to dinner. Anne Goodwin came in after tea & spent hours with her. The horizon & ^{partly} ~~partly~~ all the atmosphere has been obscured with smoke from the bush fires, which abound, it looks like a thick mist all round. Warm day, sun shining brightly, but not very hot as the sea breeze, which blew nearly all day (S. to S.E.) prevented it. Joseph was very sick in the evening, partly over our bed (he sleeps with me now) such a smell! ugh!!! α 8'10: B 8'45:

M 10'35 - 12'20: D 2'15: M 4'5 - 5'25
T 6'45: W 10'0

11 MONDAY [11-354] Hilary Term begins

Oliver Archibald came to dinner. There has been a good deal of excitement to day, in consequence of a report that Biggs & Smith had a wee going to fight a duel, but nothing is known for certain. The English mails arrived to day for "London", she brought the "Comens" Mail of last month as the latter vessel struck on a rock in the Red Sea & had to put back. In England trade is very bad, & many failures took place; wool has fallen suddenly, by which a good many here will lose. In India the insurrection is being put down well, Sir Colin Campbell commanding in person. Warm weather, clear, fresh breeze from NW α 7'25: B 8'40: β 9'0: γ 1'50: D 2'10: δ 2'50: ε 6'10: T 7'15: W 11'40. Chasing my room of public work ^{late 11.00}

Duel
Gregson
&
Smith

Eng.
Mail

Ship
here
from
London
- 1st

India

Letter from Elin Backhouse. Mail Arrived. I got a letter from Elin Backhouse dated Southport 10th 8. Mary J. B. has had a little girl 10th. In the evening I was busily employed writing to Edgar M. Brown from whom I got a letter in 11 mo. Amongst the letters from England by this mail I saw they made an attempt to launch the "Great Eastern", which was not successful, but no damage was done to the vessel. In the office have been very busy yesterday & today with the mail. Weather pleasantly warm, a slight shower about 2'40. Breeze from NW α 8'10: β 8'45: β 9'2: γ 2'3: D 2'15: δ 3'4: ε 5'50: T 7'15: W 10'30

Leviathan
not
launched

13 WEDNESDAY [13-355] Cambridge Term begins

Eng. Mail

Murder
in
London

Tea
at
Aunt
Ann's

Mail for England closes to day, with to E. M. Brown, & sent summaries of news published at the Mercery office to J. Ford; W. Robinson; J. A. Smith; Richd. Peckings; J. F. Fayer; & J. B. Bingham. There has been a horrid murder in London, the victim cut up, boiled, salted, put into a carpet bag & put over one of the bridges, the police have some clue to the author. Bought the "Leviathan" supplement of the Illustrated London News. Went to see to hunt Ann's & sent up to Anne Smith for some horsehound. Looking at Illustrated News. Pleasantly warm, breeze from NW α 7'20: B 8'45: β 9'3: γ 2'9: D 2'16: δ 3'7: ε 5'27: T 7'16: W 11'40.

Age Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & (Junior Club)
 16'3 [14 & 15] January 14 THURSDAY [14-351] 1st Month 1858

T. D. Chapman's Office, Hobart Town. Age 16'3
 1858 1st Month 16 SATURDAY [16-349] January [16]

Bush
 Fires

Oxford Tern begins
 Bush fires are raging yet; there are still large ones at Mt Wellington, at the House they have done a great deal of damage, a man, woman, & child have been burnt. at Tharupport A. Amos' house has been burnt down & damage done to his property to the amount of £2000. J. A. Corrie barony in the country, gone to Spectator to bring back his wife & children. I was busy covering books after tea. A fine moth *Lepidoptera* came out on the morning of the 11th. Hot day, close & sultry with light airs NW, clearing, thinning clouds to 54. ~~54~~ Glass low. 28.16 28.45: 28.73: 28.3: 28.12: 28.4: 28.59: 28.73: 28.10 35

... 15. FRIDAY [15-350] 0 ...

George
 &
 W. V.
 Smith

The Duel between Guegan & Smith turned out to be a farce. They had another fracas at the Union Club hotel yesterday. Guegan was the aggressor, they fought most savagely. ~~disgraced!~~

Weather

About 11 A.M. a breeze sprung up from the S. this brought up the clouds & from 11.30 to 12.30 we had a splendid soaking shower which just cleared the air & laid the dust, we have had no more since but hope to have some to night & tomorrow.

Boys went to Backhouse for fruit 5.30 to 7.15 P.M.
 27.50: 28.48: 28.97: 28.42: 28.154: 28.50: 28.453: 28.54: 28.10 30:

Plans
 for
 Bank

In the afternoon I saw the plans for the new Bank, Foster & I arranged them in the Drawing room. There are 7 of them all very good supposed to be A. F. Smith, J. Hunter, E. Roushree (2) Davidson, Thomas & Appleton. Weather cool & fine. Wind NW no rain since yesterday. 27.50: 28.40: 28.92: 28.243: 28.254: 28.753: 28.1145.

Review
 Ye

My little bird has had fits continually & I don't think it can survive. I have fed it, on sopped bread & boiled egg, with occasionally cherries & marmalade; it has had gravel & water & it has a beautiful pencil tongue & drinks by rapidly lapping with its tongue, the feed at the end retaining water. It could yesterday fly twice round the room but today it is weak with fits. I have been reading 'My Schools & Schoolmaster' by Hugh Miller & am much interested in it. The Weather was hot till yesterday when the shower cooled it. Rain is longed for, everything almost is burnt up; early potatoes nearly a failure, no turnips or cabbages & much corn spoiled, bush all a fire &c &c, with all the evils caused by a drought of between 243 months.

Age Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. & (Junior Club)
163 [17 & 18] January 17 Sunday—2 aft Epiph [17-348] 1st Month 1858

Rain

Visit
Aunt
Ann's

Bird
Drown?

Rain at last, nearly all day in good heavy showers with wind from South West to Uncle Robert & Mathews to dine with Robert (my brother) & again to tea & spent the time very pleasantly. Mr. Bradford was up here to spend the afternoon & evening to dinner & tea. I drowned the bird in the morning, it continued to have fits, & was so weak & miserable that despairing of getting strong enough to fly I thought it most merciful to kill it.

& 8:0: D 8:40: M 10:40 - 11:30: D (R.A.M.) 1:30
M 4:0 - 5:20: D (R.A.M.) 5:40: W 10:10.

..... 18 MONDAY [18-347]

Fire

Last night I was awakened by the noise of a fire engine, I jumped out of bed, but as I was not quite sure I felt sleepy I went to bed again; in the morning I heard that there had been a fire in which the Royal Oak Watchmen Street had been completely gutted. It is thought it was set on fire on purpose.

Weather

The weather has been quite cool, almost too cool yesterday & to day as the wind has been S & W.

& 8:0: D 8:40: B 9:2: Y 1:37: D 2:20: S 3:3:
E 5:14: T 7:25: W 11:0:—

T.D. Chapman's Office Hobart Town. Age 16 3/4
1858 1st Month ~ 19 TUESDAY [19-346] ~ January [19 & 20]

Part
open?

Cliffs
n°
Cascades

like
Sea
Shore

The Houses of Parliament met to day after the Christmas Holidays. I went a walk with Bob Mathews up the Road & over the Hill down to the cliffs near the Cascades; they look as if they had been sea shore rocks for these are three caves hollowed by water just as they are at Hangarow Pt. The top is a thick stratum of sandstone & below that there is a layer of marble stone which crumbles & exposes, there are several alternate layers like this. & below this where they bored for coal, there is splendid flagstone. I saw no fossils. Weather pretty warm wind NW till abt 2:30 then SE.

& 8:0: D 8:40: B 9:2: Y 1:37: D 2:20: S 3:3: E 5:14: T 7:25: W 11:0:—

.. 20 WEDNESDAY [20-345] ..

Part
adj?

Plans

Reading

Last night H. of Assembly after doing nothing adjourned for a week. Of the plans they are supposed to be Thomas's is the best (all think so) & one of E. Mowney's next which will most likely be chosen as they don't think the other can be built for the money. I hope they will have Thomas's. I have finished Miller's book & am going to read a book on Watchmen of Uncle Roberts. It has been a beautiful day with hardly a cloud, & a pleasant gentle sea breeze.
& 7:50: D 8:40: B 9:3: Y 1:50: D 2:10: S 3:1:
E 5:44: T 7:40: W 10:10

Age, Sav's BK 79 Macquarie St & (Junior Club)
 16.34 21 & 22 January 21 THURSDAY [21-344] 1st Month 1858

Office

Frank home

Emma Talbot

Plans

In the morning engaged in routing out TDC's Papers & getting some in order. My cousin Francis Mather came home from Swanport where he had been stopping, to day in the "Tommy". I did not see him. I had Emma Talbot to tea in the evening she is a niece of Mary Williams of York & is a governess at St. Crowthers but she is going to leave soon & go over to her parents who are in Melbourne. E. Rowntree Plan (3 1/2) was chosen this morning by the Committee, they were all agreed, I told TDC & he said it was best, it will make a good house. Weather was cloudy Wind NW a few showers in the morning.
 x 750: 36:00: 39:3: y 23: 32:16: 53:7: E 5:14: I 7:10: W 10:20: 22 FRIDAY [22-343] ...

Wreck of the Varna

In the morning we got intelligence that there had been a wreck off the East Coast. TDC being Lloyd's Agent I made enquiries & found that it was the "Varna" from Greenock to Melbourne she was wrecked off Hobbs point on Christmas eve & that 15 of the men had come up to town leaving 4 behind. In the evening I went up to W. Pellymans to see & spent a pleasant evening. Warm & cloudy (rather) wind NW. 6:35: 38:35: 38:53: y 29: 22:20: 83:7: E 6:35: I 7:10 (Pellymans) 10:10. Went for a bath before breakfast.

at TDC Chapman's Office Hobart Town Age 16.34
 1858 1st Month 23 SATURDAY [23-343] January [24]

Heat & Fires

A very hot day, bush fires raging in all directions, the sun shining very powerfully & hardly a breath of air (what there was was S.W. breeze) the air filled with smoke, smelling strong of it & looking lurid. In the evening a fire on the top of a hill over the water gave it the appearance of a volcano, it looked extremely beautiful. E. Crockett was here last night & went to day by the "Tasmania" (etc) to Melbourne.

Eliza Crockett

Wreck of the Varna

The Wreck of the "Varna" has been the all absorbing topic of interest yesterday & today; she was a fine barge 551 tons, bound from Greenock to Melbourne with sundries, granite spirits, a crane, steam boiler, masts, wire &c. &c. and was wrecked on Christmas day at St. Hibbs. The Capt. (Heming) died from dropsy brought on by cold caused by sleeping in wet clothes when intoxicated. When he died there were no one on board (neither mate nor second mate who shipped as competent officers) who understood navigation at all. They managed to get on till they got to St. Hibbs, when to save being blown onto the rocks, they ran her ashore. They then landed & were travelled by land & the others by the lay boat which latter picked up the others, except 4 who had turned back. A fishing boat picked them up off Redoubt Bay (they asked of the crew a "Amphibia!!") I.D.C. being Lloyd's Agent has to examine the three depositors, are a difficult matter, but not materially. There is some talk of the government buying the ship. 2755: 38:45: 39:0: y 11: 11:11: D 14: 82:2: E 4:10: I 7:35: W 11:55: 24

Age 1 79 W. Qy. St. Hobbs Jan. Union Clerk.
163 [21 & 25] January 24 Sunday 3 aft Epiph [24-341] 1st Month 1858

Lamps
at
Wharf

A fine day with a strong sea breeze which made it very pleasantly cool quite a pleasant contrast to yesterday. Large fires on the mountain & over the water. They have now got a good many good sized gas lamps along the Wharves which will most likely save much property & some life. Elizabeth & Robert out to see E. at Uncle Roberts & R. to Uncle Joseph. I was reading an account of Paul Luke taken from the "Globe Herald" (good).

α 8:10: B 9:12: D 10:40 - 12:15: D 2:10:

M 4:9 - 5:30: T 6:45: W 9:55.

..... 25 MONDAY [25-310]
Conversion of St Paul

Varna

Man
Lost
M. T. N.

Sandy
D. fossils

A fine clear hot day with very few clouds but the horizon tremendously obscured by smoke. There are tremendous fires over the water. Capt. Chamberlain went in a 6 oared whaleboat this morning to try & find the 4 men left behind. The government are to pay him £150. The doctor of the "Perseverance" went up the mountain the day before yesterday with some others, he stopped behind at the ice house. When they came back he had wandered away. Today, parties of military, police, Deacons and citizens have been clearing the place without success: he had been taking landowners & was in bad health & low spirits. Went to Sandy Bay in the evening & found some interesting fossils. α 8:10: B 8:53: B 9:5
D 2:27: D 2:14: B 3:5: C 5:2 E 6:30 W 10:32

DDC's office Age 16 3 1/2
1858 1st Month 26 TUESDAY [26-339] January [26 & 27]

Ferns

Man
nat.
Found.

Varna

Heat

Yesterday we sent the tree ferns packed in two cases (B.C.) down to the "Harroby". The surgeon of the "Perseverance" has not been found. The three masons offer £20 for his body. Yesterday morning Hedberg & some others went down to the wreck in the "Swansea Packet", but as J.D.C. has engaged a man Buxton to go down in the "Wanderer" with authority to take charge, they won't get much. It has been most fearfully hot to day like an oven with a very powerful sun & a light hot wind from N.W. or thereabouts. A tremendously thick with smoke & fog, could not see the hills over the water sometimes. In the evening light cool breeze S.E.
α 8:0: B 8:25: B 8:57: γ 27: D 2:15: S 3:4: E 4:52: T 6:12: W 10:40

.. 27 WEDNESDAY [27-338] ..

Varna

D. Mulligan

In the morning before breakfast went for a bath. A much cooler day, cloudy, & with a pleasant cool & strong sea breeze (S.E.) The passenger by the Varna "Boyl Mathie" is the worst off, as he has lost all (money & all) he is only 17 & has some poor relations in Melbourne. The "City" has taken him over free & J.D.C. paid his lodging. He is a nice decent lad. Dr. Mulligan called in the evening & I asked him about fossil needs. I found at Sandy Bay, got some useful information from him about localities &c.
α 6:30: B 8:42: B 9:0: γ 26: D 2:12: S 3:4
E 5:7: T 7:10: W 10:25.

Museum

Walk

50-8:30

Dr. Smith

found

Dead

J.C. Gregson

in

"Quod"

A nice cold breeze (light) from S.E. ^{clear & fine} not so much smoke & fog. Went to the Museum at dinner time, the things are badly arranged the Room is too small. In the evening 50-8:30 went a walk down Sandy Bay road to near Cartwrights, where there are some rocks nearly all fossils. Dr. Smith was found to day by Rev E. Gamsey one of a party of 15, quite dead. It was towards Brown's River he had his pockets full of bread & also had lucifers, & had evidently lighted 3 fires; he had his foot jammed between two rocks, ^{He was beginning to decay} Dr. Crowther thinks he must have died of convulsions on Sunday from fatigue & thirst

... 29 FRIDAY [29-336] O ...

Pretty clear & warmer still a light breeze from the S.E. fog & smoke very thick again. Last night in the Assembly when the report of the committee on the case of Gregson & Balfe was being discussed, Young Gregson without any provocation accused Anstey of dishonesty, he was called upon to apologize but would not, so the speaker had to advise him to leave, & he was ordered to attend at 4 next day & apologize ^{for} or take the consequences. I have heard to night that having refused to apologize he was ordered into custody of the Sergeant-at-arms & the council sat with closed doors to decide how long he should be kept

King Charles Martyr

Row above all on the Assembly

Dr. Smith

Foggy & warm with clouds, Wind S.E., towards the evening a little rain with promise of more. It is very much wanted after a 3 months drought. Last night there was a grand row in the Assembly; Young Gregson would not apologize, so strangers having been excluded (by the Attorney General calling the attention of the speaker that there were strangers in the house, when the speaker had to order them to retire) a debate ensued on it which seems from all accounts to have been worse than any one before, as Abbott got into a tremendous rage & would have struck Chapman if the Sergeant-at-arms (R. Power) had not stopped him, & other honorable members did not behave very becomingly. Poor Dr. Smith was buried to day, besides his lodge of freemasons there were a good many gentlemen at the funeral, amongst whom were, Carr, Mr. Powell, Dr. Smart, Bedford & Crowther, Capt. Sullivan, Wankmore & Stone, Mr. Phersons, Watcham Junr, Bone & a good many more. Poor fellow! a post mortem examination was made & he was found to be in a very unhealthy state, the Jury brought in a verdict according to the circumstances, there ^{has been} a good deal of feeling in the city for him: poor unfortunate gentleman, & certainly no pains & trouble were spared to find him.

16 3 1/2 } Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. (Junior Clerk) in
Age 1st & 1 Jan & Feb 31 Septuagesima Sunday [31-334] 1st & 2d Mo 1858

P.D. Chapman's Office, Hobart Town (Age 16 3 1/2)
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Purification V.M. Candlemas.

Pleasantly cool, with passing clouds wind NW in the morning to SW in the evening. We had 2 or 3 slight showers in the morning. My Brother Robert's Birthday, we had Annie & Robert Martha to tea in the evening.

Robt's Birthday

Robert goes away the day after tomorrow to Ross College, he is much improved since last year, he has had no violent outbreaks although he is wild enough in all conscience; I think he is being tamed at the college, although he affects to despise masters & all. x 8 30:

Robt Tamed at the College

B 9 10: M 10 45-12 22: D 2 10: M 4 13-5 35: T 6 40-10 35

Feb 1 MONDAY [32-333] Hilary Term ends

Fine clear day a few passing clouds at times. Wind NW pleasant breeze. Bob is going away tomorrow morning by the 5 o'clock coach & we have been very busy packing up & getting his things ready. In the evening we had a few drops of rain & it looks as if it would be more. it would do a great deal of good but it is almost too late to save the crops.

Robt to 80

x 8 0: B 8 47: B 9 2: Y 2 6: D 2 15: S 3 4: E 5 20: T 7 50: W 11 50

A cloudy with heavy showers every now & then wind SW to W seems to be quite set in wet.

Robt did not go

Father did not send Robert off this morning as it looked like wet & he thought he might catch cold: in the evening about 7 he wanted him to go by the mail, & Bob began crying & making a tremendous rumpus at last however we got him quiet but when we got there (before 1/2 past 7) the coach was gone.

x 8 40: B 8 55: B 9 5: Y 2 4: D 2 10: S 3 1: E 5 15 T 7 32: W 10 10

3 WEDNESDAY [34-331]

A thoroughly wet day with a southerly wind rainy nearly all day & occasionally coming down in torrents. Robert at last got off all safe this morning.

Robt off

Charles had a regular flare up with old Black (I have added "Peppe" to his name)

Police ties

Last night they had another row in the assembly Matthews drunk & Abbott again, James brought up the budget & made a splendid speech (Capital budget raising tariff).

This evening I went down but Gregor & Co were not there so everything went on quietly passed some bills. Before I went they passed a resolution (I heard) that Abbott was to be excluded till he apologized. x 8 10: B 8 45: B 9 6: Y 2 2: D 2 12: S 3 2: E 5 5: T 6 45: W 10 50

Cold
Rain
Gale

Varns

Blowing a strong gale from the southward (S to SSE sometimes even SSW.) with cloudy weather in the morning, in the evening came on very small thick heavy rain & quite wintry cold. It is blowing a tremendous Gale outside; We are afraid they will have rather bad times of it at the wreck, they would have to "up stick & away". From what we have heard from the crew of the Supplie & other things, it is now thought that the wreck is to the north of Macquarie Harbour. The gale caused the Twins to take 3 hours to come from Kangaroo Pt. & after all she bumped.
x 80: D 845: B 92: y 217: D 225: S 316: E 54: T 720: w 1025

5 FRIDAY [36-329] ()

Dog
in
a fit

Gregson
again
turned
out.

J.G. G.
drunk

A regular wet day a soaking rain wind S with a little Westing sometimes. In the evening saw a dog in a fit (looked like mad) he was foaming tremendously, a "trap" noosed him & took him off. Last night they had another pretty little scene in the Assembly, Gregson as usual abusing everybody; he at last got so outrageous at Balfe that he was ordered out of the to apply, he would not, so he is not to be allowed to come till he obeys; Young Gregson drunk, he could not walk straight & of course made a great fool of himself, Miller said he was not drunk.
x 85: D 849: B 94: y 20: D 26: S 31: E 53: T 632: w 955

Walk
up
Dear's
Valley

Light wind from the East with fine weather & a few passing clouds. Got a half holiday as usual, & went a walk with George & Joseph up to Backhouse's & then up the valley a long way, there were some fossils in the bed of of the Creek but we had not time to go far enough up to get any: we had a very pleasant walk, the valley has a great many cottages & cultivated pieces in it, a good many more than when I was last there a few months ago. x 810: B 844: B 90: y 213: D 225: S 315: w 1150.

Review
&c

"Dred"

This week has brought the long wished for rain, we have had 4 days of fine rain, just nicetime to soak in, & now it has cleared off again; it is too late to save many of the crops, but it will help the late potatoes, carrots, turnips &c & do a good deal of good altogether. I have been reading 'Dred' by Mrs H B Stowe author of 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' it gives a dreadful picture of life in the slave states. I have been deeply interested in it, as I believe she does not exaggerate, but shows things as they really are; they are certainly, then, in a most dreadful state, & the fear of losing the cotton trade stops England & the North from doing any good.

AGE
163 3/4

Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. 4 (Junior Clerk)
[7 & 8] February 7 Sexagesima Sunday [38-327] 2d Month 1858

Mail
from
Engl^d
expect

Light breeze E.S.E. almost to cool,
fine weather with a few clouds.
People are now looking for the Mail
from England & also from India &
as it is expected that it will be brought
from Guez by the 'Victoria' a steamer
who made a very quick passage (56 days)
round the Cape ~~and Melbourne~~, they
expect it will be here in time. The
'City of Hobart' arrived to day, when
she left it had not arrived, but it was
bunch due then, the 'City' had to stop
at Melbourne longer than was wished because
of the tremendous gale from the South.

α 9° 0' : β 9° 25' : γ 10° 42' : δ 12° 15' : ε 2° 10' : ζ 4° 5' : η 5° 30' : θ 6° 30' : ι 10° 15'

..... 8 MONDAY [39-328]
Half Quarter Day

Fire
in
Molle
St.

Clear & calm in the morning, a ^{light} breeze sprung up
for the S.E. warm sun shining brightly.
Last night about 1/2 past 11 I was roused
by the Police engine going down Murray St
I jumped up & looking out of the staircase
windows I saw a tremendous glare, I then
dressed & went out & there when I
got up to the corner of Macquarie & Barend
Sts. I saw the fire then it appeared to
be a house entirely in flames, it looked
like a huge bonfire, in the morning I
found it was the 'Barnard's Store' in Molle
St. Near Goulburne St. kept by Goodwin.

α 8° 15' : β 8° 47' : γ 9° 4' : δ 2° 2' : ε 3° 1' : ζ 5° 10' :
η 7° 15' : ι 10° 25'

at T.D. Chapman 46th Hobart Town. Age 163 3/4
1858 2d Month 9 TUESDAY [40-325] February [9 & 10]

Vanna
Bought 4
Men
found

Cloudy day & cool weather wind light
from S.E. & South.
To day about noon Hedberg's vessel
the 'Swansea Packet' arrived at the wharf
for the wreck, they had picked up 3 of the
men nearly starved, the men had been
obliged to leave the steward behind, as he
was so starved as to be too weak to travel,
he must have been dead as that was 7
days before they were picked up. They lived
on what shell fish they could pick up.
Hedberg's men searched for the body but
could not find it. α 8° 20' : β 8° 50' : γ 9° 6' : δ 2° 14' :
ε 2° 23' : ζ 3° 12' : η 6° 22' : θ 7° 10' : ι 10° 30'

.. 10 WEDNESDAY [41-324] ..

Vanna

Fine day clear in the morning but cloudy in
the afternoon wind S.E. and light
Yesterday Capt. Chamberlain returned for the
wreck but brought no further news, the
'Wanderer' had arrived there: the 'Swansea
Packet' brought up 16 Casks spirits 2 Cks Pate & 1 Ale
some chains, hams, shirts, case of Pateron &c
& the Customs have taken possession. I expect
there will be a row about that when T.O.C. comes
back. He is down at Pat Arthur at present
the 'Culloden' has been engaged to take the
members of Council down there. No English
mail has arrived, the outward mail went
to day, most likely another chance, busy in office
α 8° 15' : β 8° 49' : γ 9° 7' : δ 2° 17' : ε 3° 10' : ζ 5° 20' :
η 7° 20' : ι 10° 45'

164 Age. 79 Macquarie St Saving Bank & (Tanner Clerk) at
[11 & 12] February 11 THURSDAY [42-323] 2d Month 1858

T D Chapman's Office 71 Macquarie St. Hobart Town. 164
1858 2d Month 13 SATURDAY [44-321] e February [13] Age

Office

Very sultry day, wind changeable about NW
to NE in the morning about 2 PM a sea breeze
SE came up but it was very light, hardly
a cloud to be seen. W. Pittman away up at
New Norfolk went back till Monday, James B:
Carruth the Storeman at a wedding & join the
under storeman, very near drunk in the
afternoon. J. C. sent me down in his carriage!!
to get his carpet bag from the Collards in
which he came up from Port Arthur to day.
The English mail has not arrived, but
the Norfolk to Melbourne brought 8 days
later news which the "Black Swan" brought
to Lancaster today & it was telegraphed here.
x 7.55: B 8.55: B 9.5: Y 2.5: D 2.13: S 3.58: E 5.12: T 7.50: W 11.15

12 FRIDAY [43-323]

Eng
Mail
not
come

Therm
110°
in
shade
(sun)
Snake

Tunnel
between
England
&
France

Very sultry indeed, a regular "shmonkee"
as I heard an Irishman express it, very
light air from the S. & S.E. In the evening
the "Swordfish" got off for Melbourne.
We have got a good sized snake
from Deane's (about 2 1/2 ft long) I have
put it in spirits of wine. I see by the
last English papers that a French engineer
named Gamond has written a book in which
he proposes to make a tunnel under the sea
between England & France, & it seems to
be quite practicable! Therm. 110° in shade
x 7.0: B 8.52: B 9.6: Y 2.11: D 2.17: S 3.2:
E 5.35: T 7.20 W 11.0

Office

Snake

The
Mor-
mon

Fine in the morning with a brisk S.E. breeze
about 1 breeze increased & blew pretty
fresh & one or two very heavy showers
of rain came on. I only got part
of my half holiday as we were rather
busy & W.P. being away I had more
to do. "Swordfish" is likely to have a
good run yet, splendid wind for her.
The snake which I put in spirits last
evening has swelled very much, I think
that as I did not open it & inject the
spirits that it has putrefied inside, for
when I pressed streams of bubbles of
foam came out of its mouth & also
when it is picked, which are most likely
the gases formed by decomposition.
The latest news from America speaks
of a rupture with the Mormons as being
probable, Brigham Young has proclaimed
martial law & defied the government,
but whether he will not yield when
the troops arrive is doubtful, there is
a good deal of satisfaction in Utah, as
soon when they arrive there are arrayed
at finding themselves beleaguered, but it
is not easy to get away as Brigham &
his "Danites" or Destroying Angels, a band
of desperadoes in his pay, keep a sharp
look out.
x 7.15: B 8.52: B 9.4: Y 2.13: D 2.25: S 2.50:
E 3.30: T 7.40: W 12.55

16. 4 A. & Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St (4 Junior Clerk)
[14 & 15] February ~14 Quinquages Sunday [45-320] 2d Month 1858

St Valentine

A cloudy day rather cool with a light breeze from the S.E.

AM
Mather
visiting
us
Uncle
J.B.
Mather
We had our cousin Anna Maria Mather to dinner & tea & to spend the afternoon & evening with us. Her father our Uncle Joseph B. Mather is a good deal better than he has been for some months past, he is still weak but gets to meeting once a week & comes down into the shops, he has been very ill with colic & still suffers a good deal of pain at times. α 9'0: β 9'40: γ 10'40: δ 12'30: D 2'20: M 4'18-5'42: F 6'45: W 9'50:

15 MONDAY [46-319]

Office
A very dull cloudy day in the morning a thick drizzling rain very light breeze S.E. almost too cool very different from a few days ago. W. Pethyman came back to day from New Norfolk, they went up & came back in a boat, they arrived in New Town Bay on Saturday night & rowed down this morning, Old Black very crabbed at his going away for a few days, horrid old fellow!! I have a sty coming on my eye. J. Q. C was saying to day that if the rain we had at the 2nd info had come at Christmas it would have saved the colony £100,000!
α 8'35: β 8'52: γ 9'5: δ 2'2: D 2'11: M 3'2: E 5'7: W 10'20

at T.D. Chapman & Co's 71 Macquarie St. Hobart Town. Ag 16'4
1858 2d Month ~16 Shrove TUESDAY [47-318] ~ February [16 & 17]

Pull cloudy day rather cool wind S.E. light.

They are getting on very quietly in the Council & Assembly without old Gerson.

α 7'50: β 8'48: γ 9'4: δ 1'0: D 1'20: E 1'57
E 4'57: F 7'20: W 11'0

17 Ash WEDNESDAY [48-317]

A clear day hardly any clouds very hot wind N.W. in the morning but a sea breeze springing up S.E. as usual.

We have had some very hot weather lately but nothing like Adelaide & Melbourne, at Adelaide 9 People died of the heat in a very short time (I think a day).
α 8'0: β 8'48: γ 9'5: δ 2'3: D 2'10: E 3'2
E 5'20: F 7'40: W 11'20.

164th Age. Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & Junior Clerk at
 18 February 1858 THURSDAY [49-316] 24 Month 1858

Cambridge Term divides at Noon

A very hot day with very little wind in the morning very cloudy but in the afternoon clear with a boiling sun very light airs from N.W.
 The "City of Sydney" has been telegraphed from Lancaster as having arrived from Peru, she transhipped the mails at Call to the "Victoria" which sailed before her but has not yet arrived; however she brings news.
 I got a half holiday by asking for it. It we went up to Fern tree valley (taking a man to carry plants) to get *Hyperbaphys* &c for J.B. & got a good many. Fern tree valley is almost entirely destroyed by the fire. α 80: 8843: β 96: γ 17: δ 20: ε 80: ω 12

19 FRIDAY [50-315]

Cloudy in the morning in the afternoon became showery & in the evening rained hard, wind about North & N.W. I was very poorly all day, got knocked up with the heat & exertion yesterday. I had a bad headache & was sick 2 or 3 times in the morning. Coked up a few of the jars of fern for J.B. in the evening (Bungs wax, bladder). The news brought by the City of Sydney is rather important. The Indian rebellion is put down, Europe is quiet, Wools fall 2 or 3 but many markets not so bad, likely to be a collision with the Americans &c &c
 α 820: 857: γ 6: δ 210: ε 215: 838: ε 452:
 τ 70: ω 110

Mail
 Eng
 NOT
 Come

Fern
 Tree
 Valley

Sick
 ye
 with
 Heat

J.B.
 Ferns
 corked

News
 India
 Eng

T.D Chapman's Hobart Town Age 164th
 1858 24 Month 20 SATURDAY [51-314] 20 February [20]

Well
 again

No
 Bungs

Cap

Fern
 Tree
 Valley
 Spoilt

Dull day with occasional slight showers wind North West.
 I took a Blue Pill last night & Seidletz this morning & feel all right to day. We cannot get bungs large enough for the jars anywhere in the town at least we have not been able yet. I got a new cap to day.
 Fern tree valley when we visited it on Christmas day was very different to Fern tree valley now, then it was a beautiful green verdant valley thick with tree ferns & other vegetation, now it is burnt up very near the most beautiful side is completely burnt up, scorched ferns is all that is left & in some places it has come right across the valley. I don't think we shall be able to get any more fern trees there, it is a great pity as it was a most lovely place I don't think I was ever in a more beautiful spot.
 α 815: 8850: β 94: γ 48124: δ 215 ε 725
 ω 1150

16 4 1/4 Ave Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & Junior Club at T D Chapman's Hobart Town 1858 2d Month .. 23 TUESDAY [54-311] ... February [23 & 24]

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1 in Lent

A fine clear day in the morning & hot but cloudy in the afternoon a light breeze from S E. I left for sea breeze. We had Francis Kaywood to dinner he is now with John Blackwell up at New Town. The "Trade Wind" is now anxiously looked for she is out about 1105 days from London she has about 200 emigrants among whom are Mr Wood & family & two female servants for us, the latter we do not want.

x 845: D 970: T 1040: 1250: D 215.

T 410: 540: T 640: W 740

.....22 MONDAY [53-318].....

A fine clear hot day with a North Easterly breeze. The "Bleach" Pyram was signalled this morning as having arrived last night at Lancaster with the English Mails & "Victoria" they will be down tomorrow.

The "Heather Bell" arrived this afternoon after a fine run of 84 days from London & Plymouth, she brings letters later than in advance of the English Mail. The "Trade Wind" was also thought to be down the River but is not yet made out. x 870: B 849: B 94: Y 217

D 220: S 35: E 570 T 710: W 108

Five in Liverpool St.

Clear day, with few clouds and the gentle breeze from the North edge of the house. At 20 minutes to 4 in the morning I was awakened by one of the boys & I jumped up & dressed & by the time Pears came up & said that thickly all Houses at the corner of George Street & Murray Street were on fire. I hurried down as fast as I could & saw the three shops (Sharp/Butcher went William tobaccoist) & Moore (Wholesale) entirely enveloped in flames & near on the roof all fallen in. Harris's (Clothes) at the end brought burning & the people just running out next ex.

24 WEDNESDAY [55-310] .. St Matthias.

A fine clear day & hot: wind W in the evening strong & gusty with short squalls of rain. We sent a packing of 1000 Eggs Butter Apples &c down to Mr Wood and family at the Trade Wind at Campbell Bay. she was removed there this morning to quarantine, & the Emigrants will be landed there. Most of the Cases are only continuous low fever but there are several of typhus, there have been 10 deaths (7 of fever) & there are now several ill. x 870: B 843: B 94: Y 147: D 216

S 255: E 512: T 714: W 115

King's Mail arr.

Genl Heather Bell 84 days

Three in W Wood at Trade Wind

as the roof was falling in, & the roof
 edge of the Duke of Clarence Public
 House was just catching on one
 side & Hoggins (Pastyscook) on the
 other. The sparks were falling very
 thickly at Moses' corner so that to
 pass I had to put up my hand-
 kerchief to my face to pass. I met
 Uncle Robert bringing blankets
 to put on the roof of our shop (wet).
 I went & got some more, then
 while Father & others spread them
 on the roof, I & others went for water
 & brought it upstairs. By dint of
 great exertions the fire was prevented.

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from spreading beyond Hoggins's owed &c. The lower floors of
our side & the Duke of Clarence Hoggins & the Duke of Clarence
on the other side, however the ~~store~~ were not burnt. Hoggins & Moore saved
at the back of Hoggins & public the greater portion of his property
escaped I cannot tell, if they ~~had~~ were saved some & a little was saved
caught (which they certainly must the Public House. Harris lost
have done if it had not been for £1100 worth of Goods now insured
very great exertions & if the town Williams was insured for £700 &
had ~~been~~ any where but from the Moore for £300 ~~for~~ for stock, then
to H.C.) the whole block ~~flown~~ to was nobody in Sharp's place,
Uncle Joseph's inclusive must Hoggins House was insured for
been burnt & very likely also then £1000, The fire broke out at
houses up Murray St, Moir &c. 25 min to 1/4 in Williams shop, supposed
Hedbey was very active, the militiamen rats gnawing matches, 2
were there to protect the prop.

~ 24 WEDNESDAY [55-310] ~
St Matthias

A fine clear day & hot; wind
W in the evening strong &
quiet with short squalls of

T D Chapman's Hobart Town ⁴⁵² 16.44
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engines were playing at 10 min
to 4.

The Gay Mail arrived to day &
I got 2 letters one from C. Backhouse
& one from A. M. Priestman.

The "Trade Wind" signalled
this morning down the river
with Typhus fever on board
(she is 110 days out) so Wm.
Wood won't be up yet a bit
a 3.40 : B 8.47 : B 9.5 : Y 20.0 2.20

S 3.1 : E 5.3 : T 7.0 : W 9.35.

Had a headache all day from
excitement & very likely fatigue also.

.. 24 WEDNESDAY [55-310] ..
St Matthias

A fine clear day & hot : wind

Council
Privileged
- ued

A fine warm day wind South East
The Parliament was prorogued to-
day by the Governor. They have passed
about 54 Bills during the session
that says a good deal for the ministry.
Hobart Corporation Bill & Improvement
Bill, Rural Municipalities Bill,
a liberal Waste Lands Bill in which
we are now ahead of the other
colonies & many other very useful
acts have been passed. They have
put down Gregson & have got
on very quietly without him.
x 8'10: 38'43: 39'5: y 2'7: D 2'10: 333: E 5'12
T 7'40: W 11'10.

..... 26 FRIDAY [57-308]

Indian
Relief
Fund
Mtg.

A fine day rather too warm Wind S.E.
A meeting was held in the Theatre
this afternoon to devise means for
adding to the Indian Relief Fund.
Chapman, Dunn, Ingham & Bagg
spoke amongst others but on the
whole it was a regular snail, none
of them spoke well & Thompson the
bootmaker & a drunken man kept
calling out at Chapman, "Oop neat!
92! &c &c (disgusting indeed) & the
groaned him at the end, a disgrace to
the colony that such a meeting could not
be held without such results x 7'50: 38'40:
39'2: y 2'7: D 2'12: 32'53: E 5'5: T 7'15 W 11'20

Indian
Relief
Fund

Fern
Valley

Eclipse of the Moon

I do not think they will get much for
the Indian Relief Fund, the Governor
led off with only £10! there is not
the same enthusiasm about it as
there was about the Patriotic fund
when the Governor led off with £100!!
George, Ridley & I went up to
Fern tree Valley in the afternoon
to get *Eumyphysallus* &c to
send in "prune jars" to J. Backhouse.
We are going to send two dozen
this time instead of only one dozen.
We got some capital ferns in
a place where we were last time
we were up here but we had
not seen the tree then, it being
covered with fronds of other tree
ferns (dead & alive). We got a
splendid lot from this & in beautiful
condition, also from another covered
from top to bottom very thickly with
the largest *Eumyphysallus*.
We had a disagreeable job in
the evening packing them as we
were nearly stifled with the smoke
of the bottle was & then the smell of the
bladder was delectable.
A fine clear hot day. Wind N.W.
x 8'0: 38'50 39'5: y 2'147: D 2'25: E 8'0
W 11'50.

16 1/2 Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St (Junior Clerk)
[28 & 1] Feb & Mar 28 Sunday - 2 in Lent [50-305] 2d & 3d Mo 1858

TD Chapman's office Robert Thorne 16 1/2
1858 3d Month 2 TUESDAY [51-301] March [2 & 3]

Chimney, Our chimney (kitchen) caught fire about 8 P.M.
Fire of fine warm day wind S.E. Uncle Joseph
had a meeting with the Young this evening
at 6 instead of afternoon an interesting meet.
8:40: 9:10 M 10:32-12:20 22:15: 15:10 M 60-710 29
Solemnly Resolved this evening 28 Feb.
that with God's help (I speak reverently) I
will henceforward live a different life, I will
study & work & not idle & waste my precious
time as heretofore, that I will behave
differently to my dear parent, brother & sister
&c. & that I will live with some
object in life & may I say it? more
to God's glory: Oh Lord help me to keep
this resolution, and strengthen me to
perform as well as resolve.

.. March 1 MONDAY [60-305] ..
St David's Day

A fine clear day rather too warm
with a light NW wind.
I put on a Sague Coat for the first
time to day, Edgcombe made it, it is of
a sort of mixture cloth.

Fire in Davy St.
There was a fire in Davy Street this
afternoon through children playing
with Lucifer, but it was put out
after having done no more damage
than destroying some furniture &c.
It was a House where Lovett lives
next to his circulation Library.
α 80: β 845: β 90: γ 25: δ 215:
δ 31 ε 58: ζ 635: η 10'5.

Fire
at
Dentiths

Fire
at
Holbids

Incen-
diaries

Cricket

A fine clear day hot with a
light air from the NW.
In the morning about 11 o'clock we were
alarmed by cries of "Fire!" &
Uncle Robert came up to tell us that
the place next door was on fire &
(he had been told that our house
was on fire) but when we got out
it was all out & we found it was
at the back of Dentiths the confectioners
a shed that had caught.
About 10 P.M. another alarm I went
& found that it was Holbids but it
had been put out the people having
burst the shutters in α 80: β 840: β 9'5:
γ 210: δ 215: ε 33: ε 540: ζ 710 η 10'25.
... 3 WEDNESDAY [62-303] ...

A fine day very few clouds & hot
wind S.E. again
Holbids fire there is no doubt at
all was caused by an incendiary
& a man has been taken upon
suspicion, Holbids had discharged
him from his service a short time
before, some of the doors were broken
open & the locks forced on others.
The match between the Victorian
eleven & the Tasmanian Eleven
is to come off tomorrow the former
beat the Lancastrians the other day
getting more in one inning than the others
did in two: α 815: β 845: β 93: γ 29
δ 222 ε 34: ε 515: ζ 450: η 11'20

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Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. (Junior Clerk) at 17
March THURSDAY [63-302] 3d Month 1858

A fine sunny day but hot; wind
Cricket hardly any S.E. To day being
Match the day for the cricket match, we
got for holiday & went to see it, there
were about 4000 people there I suppose.
The Victorians got 1st Innings & kept
in for 1 1/2 hours & got 78 runs; Brown
bowled beautifully. The Tasmanians
next went in & got 51 runs the swift
round hand bowling of Willis & Elliott
astounding them very much. The Victorians
in their second Innings got 67. The
Match is to be concluded to-morrow the
Victorians must beat.

8820: 390: 396: 77 & 110 D 35: 1725 w 100

..... 5 FRIDAY [64-301]

A fine hot day, hardly any clouds
with a light sea breeze S.E.
Match we were given a few hours in
the morning & so went to see the
Victoria's beat in One
Innings Match finished. The Tasmanians
had their second Innings & as one
expected they would beat. The
Victorians played even better than
yesterday, the Tasmanians hardly
so well. They got 17 runs & 8 byes
leaving the Victorians winners in
one Innings with 2 runs to spare.
8815: 3856: 398: 712: 30: D 235
832: 2510: 1715 w 1120. Went
down to Ants after tea, having been invited to go
+ tea

D Chapman & Co's Office 71 D. G. St. Hobart Town 164
1858 3d Month 6 SATURDAY [65-300] March [6]

A hot day, fine & clear with very
light wind from the S.E. South South West.
Thomas H. Hudson is going to leave
the shop to day he is going to
Hudson's new shop where Johnson
used to live in Liverpool Street.
He is a nice fellow & I hope he may
get on. Wm Wood will take his place.
8815: 3855: 397: 7110: D 20: 1730: w 120.

Cricket The Great event of the Week has been
Match the Cricket Match. The Eleven Victorian
players who came over are not the
"Crack Eleven of Victorian" & of them
are of the "Crack Eleven". Willis &
Elliott's bowling was splendid, swift
round hand, & straight & almost impossible
for those not accustomed to it to hit.
Marshall's batting was very good.
Their fielding was also capital.
The Tasmanians had had no practice
batting & had never had any round hand
bowling before. But they played very
well & the Victorians acknowledged
they had hard work to beat them; their
fielding was capital. Brown's bowl
were beautifully straight.
Governor on leave Sir H. C. F. Young is going in April for
absence 12 months leave of absence & Major
General M. Arthur is coming here to act
in his absence, H. J. will then be the
headquarters for the military in Australia.

164² Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & (Junior Clerk)
 7 & 8 March 7 Sunday - 3 in Lent [66-299] 3d Month 1858 (yrs.)

T. D. Chapman & Co. Office Hobart Town. 164²
 1858 3d Month 9 TUESDAY [68-297] March [9 & 10]

Buildings
 corner
 of
 Liverpool
 St.

Murray
 St.

Still fine clear & hot with a breeze from the North West but which in the afternoon changed & a sea breeze came up about 8 P.M. They are not losing much time at the site of the late fire in Liverpool St. They have the foundations begun already, it is said there are to be a public house at the corner, 2 shops in Liverpool St. between the public & Hoggins & one shop in Murray St. towards Jones. The Corporation are getting on with the improvements in Murray St. not very fast though. 28° 15' B 4° 20' M 70° 47' - 12° 30' D 2° 0' M 4° 18' - 5° 25' I 6° 45' W 10° 15'

8 MONDAY [67-298]

Murder

Row

Cloudy and foggy & close except when there was a light sea breeze P.M. the clouds were very heavy & towards evening we had some rain & heard 2 or 3 peals of thunder too. Yesterday morning a cabman named Touch was found stabbed to the heart in Victoria Street, it is supposed that a woman he lived with & who passed for his wife, did it. She has been taken up on suspicion. In the evening about 4 there was a Row in Liverpool St. with a drunken man. They have laid the foundations of the Duke of Clarence again. Busy writing to E. Backhouse in the evening. 28° 0' B 8° 37' B 9° 1' Y 2° 26' D 2° 33' S 3° 20' E 5° 30' I 7° 15' W 10° 45'

11/45

Fire

A fine day with heavy clouds wind S.E. but very light. Last night there was another fire at the Back of Yates the Greengrocer in Elizabeth St. the shed belongs to a basket maker who has had property burnt 3 times within the last eighteen months 1st at Battery Point where he & his family were nearly burnt in their beds 2nd when a shed just at the back of Yates was burnt 1 year ago about & 3rd this time, it was fortunate it did not spread any further as the buildings are all wood about there. 27° 30' B 8° 30' B 8° 55' Y 2° 9' D 2° 28' S 3° 8' E 5° 5' I 7° 10' W 11° 55'

10 WEDNESDAY [69-296]

Mail
 leaving
 for
 England

Fine day but with clouds wind about S.E. light. Very busy at the Office with the mail, which again leaves before the inward mail has arrived. I wrote a letter to E. Backhouse & also one to J. Backhouse about the ferns. Father put into the duplicate bill of Lading & letter to the Agents, & which I should have gone by the Harrowby & as I sent me the 13th we shall have to send a copy of Harrowby. 27° 45' B (now) B 9° 8' Y 2° 14' D 2° 25' S 3° 10' E 6° 25' I 7° 30' W 11° 50'

Trade
 Wind

A fine day hot and clear with a North West wind (very light)
 The Trade Wind will not come up yet for some time, as there are some fresh cases. The Emigrants have made some Charges against the Doctor saying he does not understand the disease is not competent &c, so it has been placed in the hands of W. Henry the Colonial Secretary, if not true Wm Wood will catch it.

285:2854:396:8135 D 146: S 235:
 E 52: T 715: W 110:

..... 12 FRIDAY [71-294]

A fine day clear & hot with a light North West breeze in the morning but about 1 P.M. a sea breeze from S.E. sprung up.

Malt

Busy a good part of the day weighing Malt of "Dominion" to send to Melbourne & "Swordfish" was weighing with Young Charles Crosby. The Malt was put into the J. P. & Co. Sacks but it leaked so much that 15 Bags were spoiled & the malt will have to be shot & dried.

280:2842:3854:8210: D 223:
 S 256: E 453: T 60: W 1040:

Malt

A fine clear hot day but the heat was moderated slightly by a light sea breeze S.E. which sprung up early in the morning. The "Swordfish" having hauled alongside the "Dominion"; Crosby & I were busy nearly all day weighing the Malt into bags. I went about it at 8 A.M. but we did not begin weighing till 10.30 nearly & got done by 2.30 weighing nearly 350 Bags in 3 hours. The "Swordfish" is expected to sail the day after tomorrow & it is hoped that the "Harrowby" will be able to get off at the same time, she has about a dozen passengers, more than 1700 Bales wool, 90 tons Oil, over 2 Cases of furs & case of bottled furs, & other sundries making altogether a very valuable cargo.

Doat
 race

see
 15

W. 1000

Sunday
 at
 home

After we had done weighing the Malt we saw from the "Dominion" the beginning of a race between the "Hart" belonging to Risby & the "Ivanhoe" to Bradstone. The flier to provide a supper for 20. The "Hart" beat the "Ivanhoe" by between 2 or 3 miles, but there was very little wind. I have bought the "Sunday at home" for 1857 for 7/6
 2715:3750:3810:8110: D 130: S 156:
 E 420: T 720: W 1130.

16⁵ Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. Junior Clerk,
[14 & 15] March 14 Sunday - 4 in Lent [73-292] 3d Month 1858

16⁵ T. D. Chapman's Office Hobart Town
1858 2d Month 16 TUESDAY [73-290] March [16 & 17]

A fine clear day, too hot but the heat moderated a little by a gentle sea breeze S.E.
Had cousin Frank to dinner & tea & to spend the afternoon & evening with us.

I have not kept my resolution at all well but I hope I have improved a shade, may I receive strength to keep it in its entirety!

α 8:30 : β 9:0 : γ 10:38 - 12:23 : δ 2:0
ε 4:3 - 5:24 : ζ 6:18 : ω 10:30.

15 MONDAY [74-291] ☉
Eclipse of the Sun

Cloudy with a strong NW breeze. The boat once did not come off at 10 o'clock before yesterday as was only had undisciplined in the rigging of me. The Harbour did not get away, with a strong NW breeze, about 10 o'clock P.M. It got out of sight in half an hour. It was very foggy in the evening. The English mail was telegraphed from Newcastle, & I suppose we shall have it to know.

α 8:5 : β 8:38 : γ 9:0 : δ 2:4 : ε 3:3 : ζ 7:30
η 4:5 : ω 10:10

A cloudy day with a strong NW breeze. The Harbour did not get off about 4 P.M. with a splendid breeze & got out of sight in half an hour. The boat got a most splendid start & I hope she will carry good winds with her.

The English mail arrived. I had no letters at all. The Leviathan is within a very few feet of the water now & success is almost certain. They can go send her in boats now at high tide.

α 8:0 : β 8:45 : γ 9:2 : δ 2:30 : ε 3:3
ζ 4:50 : η 6:0 : ω 10:50.

17 WEDNESDAY [76-289] ☾
St Patrick's Day

A wet day, wind S.E. & very light. St Patrick's day, at 12 o'clock last night we were surprised to hear a band go past with brass & on reference to the almanack however we found that they were it was St Patrick's day which the Irish men were bringing in with all due honor. I have got the plans for the Bank for a short time & am very busy copying them.

α 8:0 : β 8:45 : γ 9:3 : δ 1:30 : ε 2:0 : ζ 3:0
η 5:10 : θ 7:25 : ω 12:10

16⁵⁴ Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. Union Clk
 [18 & 19] March 18 THURSDAY [77-288] 3d Month 1858 1.1

T.D. Chapmans office Hobart Town. 16⁵⁴
 1858 3d Month 20 SATURDAY [79-286] March [20]

Cloudy day with a west wind.

I am very busy with the plans
 they take a long time to do

alarm
 of
 fire

Last night there was an alarm
 of fire at the Sir Tho^s Pictou
 Public house but in Haverhill St
 but it was put out before much damage
 was done. The power of the clergy

Catholic
 Power
 checked

has received a severe check in Scotland
 & Belgium, the people insisting
 that the clergy have no right to use
 their spiritual power to influence the
 elections, or for political purposes.

26⁵⁰: B 8⁵³: B 9³: J 2¹⁰: D 2²⁴: S 3³
 E 5¹⁵ T 7²⁰ W 11⁴⁰

.... 19 FRIDAY [78-287]

26⁰: B 8⁴⁰: B 9²: J 2¹¹: D 2²⁰: S 3⁹

25⁰: T 7²⁰ W 11⁴⁰.

A fine clear day wind S.E.

27⁵⁵: B 8⁵⁵: B 9⁶: J 1³⁰: D 1³⁰

8²³⁰: E 8¹⁰ T 7¹⁰: W 1⁰

Cloudy Blowing strong from
 the NW

The Trade wind came
 up for Impression Bay &
 laid out in the straits till
 she is pronounced clear.

There is a report come by a
 ship from America that there
 has been an engagement with
 between the Mormons & the United
 States troops & that the latter
 have been defeated & 180 killed
 but it wants confirmation.

165 $\frac{1}{2}$ Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St / 4 Junior Clerk
(21 & 22) March 21 Sunday—5 in Lent [80-285] 3d Month 1858 1/1

α 845: β 915: γ 1042 - 1233
δ 20: π 420 - 530 τ 630
ω 920:

Cloudy day & wet in the
afternoon with a SW wind
very light.

... 22 MONDAY [81-284] 1 ...

α 720: β 90 β 95 γ 210: δ 220: ε 35
ζ 510 τ 810 ω 1230
Cloudy day wind NW.

TDC & Co's Hobart Town 165 $\frac{1}{2}$
1858 3d Month ... 23 TUESDAY [82-283] ... March [23 & 24]

α 625: β 853 β 96 γ 210: δ 220
ε 33 ε 514 ζ 740 ω 10
Cloudy wind NW.

(Inmate)
Abbott has been reelected for
Clarence, in opposition to Dawson.
At the Election there was a row
mainly a supporter of Abbott striking
Dawson a violent blow without
any provocation. Bell has been
elected (I think for South Port)
for the upper house.

... 24 WEDNESDAY [83-282] ...

α 750: β 856: β 96: γ 210: δ 230
ε 32: ζ 512: π 710: ω 10

Cloudy day wind NW.

Fanny Williams (late F. Barber)
came & spent the evening with
us.

16⁵⁴ Savings Bank 79 Margaret St & Tinnelak
[25 & 26] March ... 25 THURSDAY [84-281] ... 3d Month 1858

Annunciation V.M. Lady Day

α 7.20 : β 8.48 : γ 9.12 : δ 2.4
ε 2.30 : ζ 3.4 : η 5.0 : θ 7.10
ω 1.30.

Cloudy & flowing a very light air
from the N.E. & wet in the evening.
They have begun to excavate
the foundations for the Savings
Bank, to day.

Fix
cases
begun
Bank

(Society)
Burgess, late Police Magistrate
has been elected again for Cambridge
for the Leg. Council in preference to
Captain Ogilvie. Burgess & Abbott
had to resign because they accepted
pensions.

... 26 FRIDAY [85-280] ...
Cambridge Term ends

α 7.40 β 8.35 : γ 9.7 : δ 2.35 : ε 2.30 :
ζ 3.20 : η 5.1 : θ 7.50 : ω 2.0

Fine & clear with very light
airs from the N.W.

The men from Shoobridge came
at night & there was a most
fearful stech.

at TDC & Co's Hobart Town. 16⁵²
1858 3d Month ... 27 SATURDAY [86-279] ... March [27]

Oxford Term ends

α 8.30 : β 8.55 : γ 9.7 : δ 1.20 : ε 7.30
ω 11.30.

Wind N.W. fine & clear

I have been very busy during
this week & left copying the
plans for the Bank. I have
not finished them yet.

Some bushrangers (4) have
been creating a good deal of alarm
near Ross. They have committed
a good many robberies & stuck
up a young man & tried to shoot
him but he managed to get
away. They also shot Sat. A. Constable
Propsting & his family but did
no more damage than wound
the horse. There is a reward
issued for their apprehension,
but none of them have been
caught yet.

1652 79 Macquarie St. Savings Bank & Tinner Clerk
[28 & 29] March .. 28 Palm Sunday [87-278] ~ 3d Month 1858 1.1

α 8:30 : β 9:20 : γ 10:43 - 12:30
δ 2:15 : ε 4:15 - 5:30 P 6:40
ω 9:10

Fine clear day wind light
NW.

.... 29 MONDAY [88-277] O

α 8:15 : β 8:58 : γ 9:6 : δ 1:50 :
ε 2:10 : 8 3:0 E 5:10 T 7:30
ω 11:20.

Cloudy & dull, with a strong
NW est wind.

2DC 4605 Hobart Town 1632
1858 3d Month 30 TUESDAY [89-276] ~ March [30 & 31]

α 8:20 : β 8:53 : γ 9:6 : δ 1:52 :
ε 2:5 : 8 2:51 : E 5:5 : T 7:30 ω 10:30

Wet day in the afternoon
it came down in torrents
hardly ever saw it rain so fast.

Wind N.W.
Mr. Oppenheimer who was
to lay down the cable has
given up his contract & forfeited
£1000 into the Victoria Treasury,
he was to do it for £25000
& lay it down before the 1st
of March 1859.

.. 31 WEDNESDAY [90-276] ~
Dividends due on India Bonds

α 8:10 : β 8:56 : γ 9:6 δ 1:55
ε 2:50 E 5:10 T 7:20 ω 11:40

A fine clear day with a
light wind from NW.

16.5½ Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. & Tunnock
 [1 & 2] April 1 THURSDAY [91-274] 4th Month 1858

α 8.20: β 8.50: β 9.4: γ 1.50 δ 2.20
 ε 2.53: ζ 5.0 τ 7.20 ω 11.30

Wind light NW.

12th
 leaving

A steamer (the "Megara") having arrived at Melbourne on its way to Sydney to take the 12th Regt. to India, the 12th are going there from here to take their place in Sydney & only a small body of men going to stop here.

.... 2 Good FRIDAY [92-273]
 Holiday at all Public Offices

α 8.40: β 9.10: δ 2.20: τ 7.0 ω 11.20.
 Wind very strong in deed NW.

Of course I had a holiday & spent most of the day making a frame for a slate to fold up.

Atkinson
 son
 arr.

A gentleman & his wife from Adelaide came by the City of Hobart this morning they are very nice persons he is a lawyer in Capital practice & they have come over for his wife's health.

TDCYCOS Hobart Town 16.5½
 1858 4th Month 3 SATURDAY [93-272] April [3].

Holiday at Common Pleas and Law Offices

α 8.10: β 8.56 β 9.7 γ 2.5: δ 2.30:
 τ 7.20: ω 11.30
 Wind middling NW.

A. Atkinson & his wife called again after tea, they have lodgings next to Dr. Crowthers.

Brown & Macnaughtan have taken up the contract for the telegraphic cable. It is to go from Cape Grim across the King's Island & then to Victoria. They are to do it for £25,000 They leave £3000 in the hands of government & if it is not completed by the 1st May 1859 they forfeit £1000, if not by the 1st of June £1000 more & if not by the 1st of July the third £1000.

The government have accepted the contract backed by a paper signed by the merchants praying that they would accept it.

16.53 Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St + T. (Clark) at TDC & Co. Hobart T. 16.53
 14 & 15 April ~ 4 Easter Sunday [94-271] ~ 4th Month 1858 19th 1858 4th Month 6 Easter TUESDAY [96-269] ~ April [6 & 7]

α 8.35: B 9.10: M 10.48-12.35
 D 2.30: M 4.10-5.30: T 6.30: W 10.20.

Wind light NW.

W. Atkinson & wife came to tea
 & spent the evening with us,
 we were much pleased with
 them.

~ 5 Easter MONDAY [95-270] ~
 Dividends due at the Bank. Holiday at
 Chancery, Common Pleas and Law Offices

α 8.20: B 8.58: B 9.6: Y 1.50: 2.25:
 S 2.53: E 5.5: T 6.0 (W. Math.) 9.40

Wind North West (light) fine but
 cloudy.

I went to Uncle Joseph's to tea
 & spent the evening there.

Old Lady Day. Hol at Chancery, Common
 Pleas and Law Offices

α 8.15: B 8.56: B 9.5: Y 2.15: D 2.25:
 S 3.13: E 5.20 T 7.30. W 11.0

Wind NW. Cloudy day.

~ 7 WEDNESDAY [97-268] ~

α 8.15: B 8.55 B 9.3: Y 1.55: D 2.5:
 S 2.55: E 5.2: T 7.10 W 11.00

Cloudy & cool with a W. N. W. wind
 which increased & became strong
 in the afternoon.

Wm & Lydia ^{Wood} with 2 sons & 1 daughter
 arr. about 6.20 this evening in the
 "Monarch" from Impression Bay
 they are rather a curious lot.

The Pitts & his wife (who was formerly
 Emma Hobbs (Matron of the Penitents
 home) were here to tea they are
 very nice people, they are going
 to Melbourne via Launceston
 tomorrow morning

W
 Wood
 (1858)
 Chancery
 here

165³ Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & (Tonia Alex
 (8 89) April ... 8 THURSDAY [98-267] ... 4th Month 1858

T.D.C. & CO. S 71 Macquarie St Hobart 165³
 1858 4th Month ... 10 SATURDAY [100-265] ... April [10]

α 8.5: β 8.37: γ 9.0: δ 2.10: ε 2.20: ζ 3.5

ε 5.2: τ 7.10 ω 10.30

Fresh Breeze from the W.

Cloudy & cool.

A. Atkinson & wife were here to tea
 the more I see of them the more
 I like them.

The 12th went away in the Tas
 to day for Sydney, there were
 a good many people down at
 the steamer.

..... 9 FRIDAY [99-266]
 Fire Insurance closes

α 8.5: β 8.37: γ 8.50: δ 2.5: ε 2.5

δ 2.12: ε 2.57: ζ 5.10 τ 7.10

ω 11.0.

A beautiful day fine & clear
 with a light breeze from the
 South East.

An Aurora Australis was
 visible in the evening but I
 did not see it.

α 8.15: β 8.54: γ 9.3: δ 1.13: ε 2.0

τ 7.0 ω 10.55:

A fine day with passing clouds
 & a brisk cool breeze from SE.

Wade

Just as we were finishing dinner
 Thos. H. Wade came (he is going
 away on Tuesday morning at 5 AM)
 & said that as he could not come
 again, he had just called in to
 see me. I went out with
 him & had a good long conversation
 with him. He made calls on
 we went along & we went to his
 fathers house & stopped there some
 time. He came back to tea,
 & went home directly after.

Governor
 not
 going
 home
 at
 present

Sir H. E. F. Young is not going
 home at present as General
 Macarthur has changed his
 mind & won't come, so Lady
 Young has gone by herself.
 The ostensible reason is not to offend
 Colonel Percival who as commanding officer
 in the colony considers it as his right.
 but it is thought there are other
 reasons which are the real cause,
 & now Colonel P. has given this
 can be no reason.

after Easter

α 8.50: β 9.15: γ 10.45-12.25
 δ 1.50 ε 4.75-5.20 ζ 6.25
 w

A dull cloudy gloomy day with
 a light NW wind, heat a shade
 about 2 P.M.

The two Boys Alfred & Barclay
 Wood are lodging here at
 present, I don't like them they
 are rude & forward.

~ 12 MONDAY [102-263] ~

α 8.15: β 8.56: γ 9.6: δ 2.15:
 ε 2.50: ζ 5.55: η 7.0 w 11.15.

Fine Clear day, dull with a NW
 breeze.

Very busy at the office with the
 English mail closing.

α 8.15: β 8.50: γ 9.2: δ 1.43: ε 2.15:
 ζ 2.57: η 5.5: θ 7.10 w 11.40

Fine clear day light wind
 from the NW.

~ 14 WEDNESDAY [104-261] ~
 Oxford and Cambridge Terms begin

α 8.20: β 8.35: γ 9.7: δ 1.44: ε 2.0
 ζ 2.38: η 5.10 ζ 7.10: w 11.45.

Wind light North, very beautiful
 clear day & warm

The English Mail is so long coming
 it is feared something has happened
 to it.

16/6 Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St Junior Clerk
 (15 & 16) April 15 THURSDAY [105-260] 4th Month 1858 1.2

Easter Term begins

α 8:10: β 8:40: γ 9:2: δ 12:46: ε 2:30 IT
 ζ 4:40: ω 11:35

Wind SW in the morning, afternoon
 SW strong.

I had a half holiday on account
 of the Kangaroo Pt Regatta.

The "Wanderer" Buxton which
 went down to the wreck of the
 "Berna" has been wrecked after saving
 a good deal from the wreck, all
 hands saved.

..... 16 FRIDAY [106-259]

α 8:40: β 8:57: γ 9:5: δ 2:10
 ε 3:2: ζ 5:0: T 7:0: ω 11:30

Fine & clear morning, afternoon cloudy
 with light SW wind.

There has been a case of smuggling
 a keg of Brandy lately from the
 "Beatter Bell" in which John
 Brown is concerned not very
 honorably.

at IDC's Hobart Town 16/6
 1858 4th Month 17 SATURDAY [107-258] April 17

α 8:10: β 8:45: γ 9:2: δ 1:35
 ε 1:45: T 7:20: ω 11:20

Fine day wind gentle breeze SW

In the afternoon I went over
 to Kangaroo Point & took
 Joseph with me, we went
 round the little Bay there it was
 very muddy getting to the Rocks
 opposite where the Twins lay.
 We got a good many mussels
 & took them up to the Lighthouse.
 We also got some butterfly
 shells. We were out from
 2:5 to 5:50.

α 840: β 915: γ 1047 - 12.2 D 2.0
M 4.5 - 5.30: T 6.0 W 9.25

Fine clear day. SW wind

~ 19 MONDAY [109-256] ~

α 820: β 855: γ 93: δ 2.0 D 2.10
δ 3.0: ε 5.10: T 7.0: W 11.0

Fine clear day wind NW.

α 830 β 855: γ 9.6: δ 1.5
δ 1.57: ε 5.15: T 7.0 W 11.0

Fine clear Cool a light NW wind.

Busy weighing Malt ex
Langhain Water to Moorabool.
Did 400 Todd Bays! Good!!
The Langhain Water is a curious shaped
vessel just like a spoon.
She is built on the Wave Line
principle.

~ 21 WEDNESDAY [111-251] ~

α 815: β 850: γ 9.5: δ 1.40 D 2.0
T 7.10 W 11.10:

Fine day with passing clouds
wind NW.

Finished the Malt in an hour
this morning 2000 Bushels
altogether we have not wasted
much time.

Had a half holiday on account
of this being the first day of the
races.

16 6 1/4 Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & Union
 [23 & 23] April 22 THURSDAY [112-253] 4th Month 1858 1.2

Wet.
 Holiday
 Kang.
 Pt.
 A.A.

α 825: 5855: (D 110: T 60 A Atkinson)
 W 10' 10'.
 Breeze in the morning from the NW
 but gradually veered round till
 it got to SW. A soaking wet day.
 I had ^{beyond} a holiday to go with A.
 Atkinson & family over to Kangaroo
 point we went over in the ~~St George~~
 but by the time we got across it
 came on to pour so heavily that we
 came back almost directly in the
 'Plains'. A Atkinson muscled up with
 carrying the child & Tony got the canoe.
 I stopped up there the rest of the day &
 enjoyed myself much.

23 FRIDAY [113-252] St George

α 820: 3852: 395 γ 115: D 145: T 7' 10
 W 11' 10

Cloudy cold & Dull wind light S.

A. Goodwin here to tea.

Busy painting safe &c. as I
 had a half holiday 3rd day of the
 races.

Clerk at TDC & Co's Hobart Town
 1858 4th Month 24 SATURDAY [114-251] April [24] 16 6 9 1/2

α 135: 5855: 396: γ 113: D 140
 T 7' 30: W 8' 40.

Cloudy dull & cool wind South

In the afternoon went over with
 A Atkinson & family wife & Tony
 to Kangaroo Point; it was a fine
 day & we enjoyed ourselves very much
 got a lot of mussels & I got
 thoroughly wet in getting them &
 came home with a tremendous
 headache which sent me to bed
 early.

166th Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & Junior Clerk
 125 & 26 April 25 Sunday - 3rd Easter [115-250] 4th Month 1858 / 2.

at T. D. Chapman & Co Hobart Town. 166th
 1858 4th Month 27 TUESDAY [117-248] April [27 & 28]

St Mark

α 8:50: β 9:25: γ 10:38-12:7: δ 2:0:
 ε 4:8-5:25: ζ 6:30: ω 9:0

Wind South dull & cloudy,
 with a little rain at times.

.... 26 MONDAY [116-240]

α 7:30: β 8:10: γ 9:3: δ 1:42: ε 1:50:
 ζ 2:45: η 4:25: θ 6:40: ω 11:20:

Fine clear day, & cool with a ~~light~~
 N. W. wind.

I went up to R. Shoo-bridges with
 a letter in the afternoon, & enjoyed
 the walk.

Isaac Sherwin called in after
 tea, he goes back to Launceston
 (where he lives) to morrow morning
 at 5 by the coach

α 8:0: β 8:45: γ 9:2: δ 1:55: ε 2:0: ζ 2:58:
 η 4:45: θ 6:30: ω 11:0

A fine clear day wind NW in
 the morning but changed to SE
 during the day.

I went to the Bible Meeting in the
 evening & was much interested
 amongst others a feeble spoke in his
 native language & the Rev. Mr. Waterhouse
 interpreted. Father was in the
 chair. Lizzie & George went too.

.. 28 WEDNESDAY [118-247] ..

α 8:2: β 8:40: γ 9:3: δ 1:42: ε 1:57:
 ζ 2:52: η 4:50: θ 6:0 (J. B. Math) ω 10:40

Dull & cloudy wind SE.

The mail from England p Colombian
 was telegraphed to day from Launceston.
 The Libiathan is safely launched.

There is a misunderstanding between
 the English & Napoleon III, the army
 is congratulating the Emperor on his escape
 from the late attempt to assassinate him
 has used some very offensive remarks about
 England, saying she was an accomplice &
 the Emperor has sanctioned them by publish-
 ing them in the Moniteur. He has made a sort of apology
 but it has annoyed the English.

16th Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. & Junior Clerk
 29 & 30 April ~ 29 THURSDAY [119-246] ~ 4th Month 1858 1.2

α 8:10: β 8:42: γ 9:2: δ 1:5: ε 2:10:
 ζ 3:2: η 4:50: θ 7:30: ι 11:0.

Wet in the morning but cleared up.

one
 Bush
 rangers
 caught

One of the Bushrangers (Peter Haley) a black man has been caught. He went to a hut in which was a woman (Mrs Philips) & her little girl; the woman whilst talking to him sent the little girl for her husband when he came, she jumped on the bushranger & they threw him down, disarmed him, tied him & threw him over a horse & took him to the nearest station!!! He had some revolvers & a rifle & a gun (I think) & all loaded!!

.... 30 FRIDAY [120-246]

α 8:10: β 8:40: γ 9:6: δ 2:10: ε 3:2:
 ζ 6:30: η 11:0.

Wind SW. Cloudy dull & cool.

The Atkinsons came to tea.

John
 Swan
 died

Poor old John Swan is dead, he died at 1 o'clock to day.

He has been getting feble for some time past & two or three days ago, he was taken very ill & has been increasing most of the time till he died.

TDCS office Hobart TOWN 16th
 1858 5th Month ... 1 SATURDAY [121-244] ... May [1]

St Philip and St James. Holiday at Bank Transfer Office

α 8:10: β 8:40: γ 9:5: δ 1:25:
 ε 7:0: η 11:15:

Wind SE. Cloudy & cool.

I was to have gone out in a boat to fish with a Atkinson, but instead of that he only went to the ship yards near Ross ship & fished there with his rod & off the wharf too, but did not catch anything. It was a very cool & uninteresting opportunity.

16³/₄ Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & Tunin Club
[2 & 3] May 2 Sunday 1 aft Easter—[122-243] 5th Month 1858 1 2

α 830: β 90: γ 1042 — 1280:
δ 20: π 47 — 525 ι 630: ω 915:

Wind West. cloudy dull
& cool.

..... 3 MONDAY [123-242]

α 740: β 840: γ 92: γ 155: δ 23
δ 31: ε 50: ι 70: ω 110:

Wind North, Cloudy weather.

at IDC & Co's Office Hobart Town. 16³/₄
1858 5th Month 4 TUESDAY [124-241] May [4 & 5]

α 810: β 845: γ 95: γ 1252: δ 150:
ι 645: ω 10

Fine clear day wind North &
pretty warm.

As old J. Swan was buried today
we had a half holiday the office
being closed.

M. Crawford was at tea, she is
going away soon to live at her brother
who has married Mrs. Hedden.

I was painting the cupboard, but had paint
.. 6 WEDNESDAY [125-240] ..

α 810: β 845: γ 93: γ 210: δ 220
δ 37: ε 55: ι 610: ω 1150:

Fine clear & pleasant wind North.

The Atkinsons were here to tea
he is going to Adelaide to morrow
leaving her here; they have been
having all their portraits taken by
Cherry, several of some in all £10
worth, they were well done.

166 ³/₄ Saving Bank 79 Macquarie St. Tinnin Clerk
 16 & 17 May .. 6 THURSDAY [180-230] c ~ 5th Month 1858 1.2 ¹/₂

α 8'15: β 8'50: γ 2'10: δ 2'20
 8'35: ε 5'0: π 6'50: ω 11'0:

Wind North, a fine clear day
 splendid & pleasantly warm.

A. Atkinson went away by the City of
 Hobart this morning.

..... 7 FRIDAY [187-238]

α 8'12: β 8'45: γ 1'50: δ 2'0:
 8'25: ε 4'35: π 6'0: ω 12'40:

Fine clear & warm Wind North West

I went to F. Mackies to tea,
 & enjoyed myself much.

Gave 10/- to Lizzie for the Bible
 society, which H. Hopkins is going
 to double.

167 DCYC Hobart Town.
 1858 5th Month ~ 8 SATURDAY [188-237] ~

May [8] 186 ³/₄

Half Quarter Day. Easter Term ends

α 8'20: β 8'45: γ 1'17: δ 2'10:
 π 7'0: ω 11'20:

Mrs Atkinson has had a miscarriage
 & is very ill, still she is no worse
 as can be expected under the circumstances.
 Little Tony came down here for the
 afternoon.

A splendid day, fine clear & warm, wind
 North West.

People are very anxious about the mail
 to come in which is now just overdue,
 as our relations with France are very
 rather serious. Lord Palmerston to please
 the Emperor, although it is only a matter
 of compliment & does not alter the principle
 of the law, ^{one attorney} has brought in a Bill to raise
 the crime of conspiring to murder (which
 is now a felony misdemeanour) into a
 felony. But the English were not even
 going to make a show of altering their
 laws to please the Emperor or any
 body else; so after a stormy debate
 & great excitement the Bill was thrown
 out in the ^{by a majority of 19} Commons. Napoleon wanted
 the Alien law altered which gives the
 right of asylum ~~for~~ which England has
 always been so justly proud, but nobody
 was ^{disposed} to change it in the House.

The 1st ending of the bill to amend the law relating to the punishment of felons for the offence of conspiracy was carried by a majority of 19.

16th Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St & Junior clerk
9 & 10 May .. 9 Rogation Sunday [129-236] .. 5th Month 1858 / 2nd

α 8.40. β 9.10: γ 10.45-12.30: D 2.0
- γ 3.10-4.30: E 5.40: W 10.0

Wind North fine & clear a beautiful day.

Richard & Sarah Creech (formerly Sarah Beale) were here to dinner & tea.

They are nice persons though not much of friends though kinsmen.

.. 10 MONDAY [130-236] ..

α 7.45: β 8.45: γ 9.2: γ 2.7: D 2.15:
8.35: E 6.10: I 6.15: W 11.20.

Wind North West fine & clear.

The English overland Mail p. Bourdeaux closed, very busy at the office. I sent two papers to E. Charlesworth Mercury & Adelaide Observer both containing Geological information the latter a most interesting account of some caves.

17th DCYC Office Hobart Town. 1858 5th Month .. 11 TUESDAY [131-234] .. May [11 & 12] 16.7


α 7.30: β 8.55: γ 9.6: γ 1.52: D 2.0:
8.55: E 5.0: I 7.0: W 12.20.

Fine clear day, pleasantly warm wind North West.

.. 12 WEDNESDAY [132-233] ..

α 8.20: β 8.50: γ 9.3: γ 1.50: D 2.0: 8.2.53:
E 4.35: I 6.50: W 11.0: Fine clear day wind NW. in the evening came on well.

Fire
Chimney
St.

About 1.25 this morning we were aroused by the engine going past & cries of fire, we ran up to Grandmother's room & looked out & saw a fire which seemed to be in one of the cross streets between Campbell St & the Paddock it blazed a good height & illumined the town for some distance, none of us went out, It turned out to be a public house in Colville St. almost close to the Paddock. Went down to Ross ship in the evening to see the "Laughing Water" she is this shape  very much, she is built on the wase principle, while we were there she went off the ship at a great rate & was much pleased at seeing her.

Holy Thursday, Ascension. Old May Day

α 840: β 90: β 98: γ 157: δ 210:
 83.2: ε 610: ζ 635: ω 1110.

Very wet day & blowing hard from the South West.

Busy at the Office with another chance for the European mail for England.

..... 14 FRIDAY [134-231]

α 810: β 853: β 95: γ 158: δ 220:
 δ 253: ε 445: ζ 650: ω 1115

Strong southerly gale (blowing very hard last night) with frequent squalls of rain; & cool.

Fire Trip St
 About 20 minutes to 1 we were aroused by cries of fire; father & I went out & found that Walsh's the grocers was almost entirely destroyed; if it had not been wet it must have been very serious as nothing could have prevented it spreading & being partly of wood.
 The Christopher Hewson arrived from London after a fair trip of 90 days.

α 880: β 885: β 95: γ 115: δ 220:
 ζ 715: ω 120. Wind South, with frequent light showers.

Mr. St. J. arr.

The City of Hobart arrived this morning at 2 & having met the Australian at the heads brought the English Mail, to 16 March & by telegraph to Malta to 25 March. I got a letter from B. Bygones with a letter from Wm. Humphrey enclosed, advising the way to take stereoscopic photographs.

Palmerston out Derby in.

I also got a letter from A. J. Alexander. The Palmerston Ministry were defeated by a majority of 19 on the Conspiracy to Murder Bill in the motion of Sir John & Bright & some who defeated them on the Chinese question. There was great cheering at the result, the members waving their hats &c &c. Lord Derby was "sent for" & has formed a conservative ministry, but he says his policy is just whatever the opinion of Parliament is, & what they think he means to do, not very conservative. Difference with France made.

Difference with France made.

Unknown

The Indian News is important. Lucknow has been taken where thousands of rebels were, but they have let most of them escape & they will be great trouble with them now, as they will form bands of robbers, which will take an immense time to put down. The war is also changing to the guerilla form, & is very harassing to our soldiers. Orsini, & Pierri, two of the conspirators in the late

167 Savings Bank 79 Macquarie St. & Junior Clerk (1/2 p. 2.)
[16 & 17] May 16 Sunday—1st Ascen [136-229] 5th Month 1858

$\alpha 9:15$: $\beta 9:40$: $\gamma 10:40$: $\delta 12:25$: $\epsilon 1:45$
 $\zeta 3:10$: $\eta 4:30$: $\theta 5:35$: $\iota 10:30$

Wind south with slight showers frequently.

~ 17 MONDAY [137-228] ~

$\alpha 8:15$: $\beta 8:53$: $\gamma 9:3$: $\delta 1:52$: $\epsilon 1:58$
 $\zeta 2:55$: $\eta 4:52$: $\theta 6:50$: $\iota 10:35$:
North West wind, fine clear day.

The excavation for the foundations of the Bank having a great deal of water in they got one of the fine engines & were pumping it out for nearly 3 hours.

In the afternoon I received two newspapers sent me by John F. Fryer.

at T. D. Chapman & Co. Hobart Town Tas. 167
1858 5th Month ~ 18 TUESDAY [138-227] ~ May [18 & 19]

$\alpha 8:30$: $\beta 8:45$: $\gamma 9:3$: $\delta 1:55$: $\epsilon 1:58$
 $\zeta 3:0$: $\eta 5:0$: $\theta 7:0$: $\iota 11:30$

Wind S.W. fine & cloudy.

~ 19 WEDNESDAY [139-226] ~

$\alpha 8:25$: $\beta 8:50$: $\gamma 9:2$: $\delta 1:45$: $\epsilon 2:0$
 $\zeta 2:50$: $\eta 5:5$: $\theta 6:10$: $\iota 11:40$

Wind S.W. Cloudy but fine.

16⁷/₄ Savings Bank 79 Macquarie st 4 (Junior Clerk) 11.2.
[20 & 21] May --- 20 THURSDAY [140-225] --- 6th Month 1858

α 8.20 : β 8.40 : γ 9.1 : δ 2.0 : ε 2.10
8.30 : ε 5.5 : ζ 7.0 : η 12.0

Wind NW. cloudy.

..... 21 FRIDAY [141-221]

α 8.30 : β 8.50 : γ 9.5 : δ 1.40 : ε 1.52
8.2.45 : ε 5.5 : ζ 6.30 : η 11.10

NW. Wind. Cloudy but
fine.

J.C.C. Hobart Town.
1858 5th Month --- 22 SATURDAY [242-232] ---

May [22] 16⁷/₄

Trinity Term begins. Oxford Term ends

Cambridge Term divides at Noon

Restoration Charles II. Holiday at Excise
Stamp and Tax Offices

..... 28 FRIDAY [148-217]

Abbott assaulted Smith the
Premier & Attorney General by
striking him over the head with
his stick. Smith had been opposing
Abbott's claim before the judges.


~~~~ 31 MONDAY [151-214] ~~~~~

Several Editions of Lettis's Diary for 1859  
are now ready for exportation.

"Camilla" bound from London to New Zealand put in short of provisions she has been out an immense time; the captain, mate, & passengers seem to be all at variance they contradict one another & also themselves. Captain seems a curious customer, almost half crazy I should say —

.. 2 WEDNESDAY [153-212] ..



[10 & 11] June

10 THURSDAY [161-204] 6th Month 1858

English Mail Arrived  
Got a letter from  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Seekings.

11 FRIDAY [162-203] ●  
St Barnabas

1858 6th Month 12 SATURDAY [163-202]

June [12]

Trinity Term ends



~~~ **28 MONDAY** [179-186] ~~~  
Coronation. Holiday at Excise, Stamp and
Tax Offices

St Peter

~ **30 WEDNESDAY** [181-184] ~

Bushrangers (Wingey & Co) tried to
stick up a gentleman in a gig &
failing in that stuck up Fletcher at
Snake Banks. Young Wood was
nearly shot by one of his own party
who thought him to be a bushranger.

Sharp Frost

2 FRIDAY [183-182]

Very sharp Frost.

It is very rare to
have such a very sharp Frost
as we have had to day

Selected a Stereoscope for Jane
Hay. M. A. Atkinson & Susanna
Bourin in to town

Sharp Frost.

[18 & 19] July

18 Sunday 7th aft Trin [199-166] 7th Month 1858

... 19 MONDAY [200-168] ...

1858 7th Month

... 20 TUESDAY [201-164] ...

July [20 & 21]

.. 21 WEDNESDAY [202-163] ..

Received a letter from J. Baldhouse
dated 8/3/58 which has been wandering
about Town since 15/5/58. It was
only addressed A.B. Walker H.S.T.

[29 & 30] **July**

---29 THURSDAY [210-155]--- 7th Month **1858**

----- 30 FRIDAY [211-154]-----

*Little Isabella Frances born
this morning. Nurse Booth.*

1858 7th Month

---31 SATURDAY [212-153]---

July [21]

[1 & 2] **August** .. **1 Sunday**—9 af Tr [213-152]— 8th Month **1858**

Lammas Day

.. **2 MONDAY** [214-151] (....

1858 8th Month ... **3 TUESDAY** [215-150] .. **August** [3 & 4]

.. **4 WEDNESDAY** [216-149] ..

Wrote to Edw. May.

[5 & 6] **August**

.... 6 THURSDAY [217-148] 8th Month **1858**

1858 8th Month 7 SATURDAY [219-146]

August [7]

..... 6 FRIDAY [218-147]

English Mail arrived
got letter from E Backhouse
dated 10/6/58

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 Tremendous rains & floods

Yesterday & to day. 7.08 inches
 of rain fell.

13 FRIDAY [142-149]

Floods for particulars
 see Advertiser 13th & 14th
 & Courier 17th
 & Mercury Sept 11.

¹⁴
 Fall of Rain
 for the week.

| | | | |
|-------|-----|------|------------------------|
| Aug. | 8. | — | } 2 days fall.
7.08 |
| Mon. | 9. | — | |
| Tue. | 10. | .29 | |
| Wed. | 11. | 4.35 | |
| Thur. | 12. | 2.73 | |
| Fri. | 13. | 1.17 | |
| Sat. | 14. | .42 | |

See Courier 17th.

[2 & 3] **September** ... 2 THURSDAY [245-120] ... 9th Month **1858**

..... 3 FRIDAY [246-119]

*Saw a Swallow for the
first time this spring.*

1858 9th Month 4 SATURDAY [247-118] ... **September** [4]

----- 6 MONDAY [249-118] -----

-- 8 WEDNESDAY [251-114] --

Three men last night stuck up
the Mt Nelson Signal station & then
went to Gaselles at Sandy bay &
robbed it. Three men have been
taken into custody on suspicion.
They tried to pass themselves off for
Wingy H^o but could not. They struck
some of the men with their guns.

About this time
received a box of insects
from E. M. Brown through
W. Horton.

..... 24 FRIDAY [267-98]

Blowing a tremendous
gale. I do not know
when I have seen it blow
so hard.

~~~~ 27 MONDAY [270-95] ~~~~~

~ 29 WEDNESDAY [272-93] ~  
St Michael. Michaelmas Day

Saw several Swallows  
second I have seen this  
spring.



Dividends due on India Bonds

~~~ **Oct 1 FRIDAY** [274-91] ~~~

News came to town this morning that Wigg had been captured by some constables who secreted themselves in the hut of a shepherd who harbored them. When they went to bed the constables rushed them Wigg was taken after being shot in the shoulder of his good arm & Thornton or Sydney, I'm a dreadful ruffian, was shot & then killed in the scuffle with a bayonet thrust.

Fire Insurance ceases

My birthday Father gave
 me Buxton's life & George
 Sarah gave me a knife.

15 FRIDAY [288-77]

The two missing English mails
 are telegraphed. The Atlantic
 cable is laid. The Port Curtis
 diggings are a "shicer" or
 sell, great distress is expected
 there.

St Simon and St Jude

.... **29 FRIDAY** [302-63] (....

Tremeardons scene in the
Council. Greyson sending & Miller
taking a challenge to Barnes.
Greyson expelled &c &c
see Corina Oct 30.

******* **6 MONDAY** [340-25] *******

*"Williams & Lane" arrived
from London.*

****** **8 WEDNESDAY** [342-26] ******

*Fine day but occasional
showers.*

*Writing to W. Robinson in
the evening.*

----- 10 FRIDAY [344-21] -----

At Rogers
 Mean of Barometer for Month 29.7
 Highest Bar. 30.3 Lowest Bar. 29.2
 Highest Therm 75° Lowest Therm. 60°
 Mean of Thermometer for Month 72°
 Prevailing winds Westerly NW to S.
 Greatest force of wind 10 E. W.
 Depth of Rain 0.18 inches.
 The weather for the last month & in fact since the middle of November has been sultry & dry. The Crops are suffering very much from the drought & the ravages of the blight (a species of apple) Bush fires have also been common & caused a great deal of damage both to fencing & other property. One day we had a hot wind & also for two days very light showers, which we vainly hoped threatened some Politics.

